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Rome, *Sept.* 9. *N.S.*

THE Pope has resolved to raise more Forces, and has given Directions for repairing and augmenting the Fortifications of the Castle of St. *Angelo*, and for casting divers Pieces of Cannon, and providing the Magazines with Ammunition. Letters from *Sicily* say, the Duke of *Escalona*, the new Vice-Roy of that Kingdom, is arrived at *Palermo*.

From the Imperial Camp near Ponte Oglio, *Sept.* 15. The 12th Instant, the Major of the Regiment of *Commerci* went out with a Party of 150 Horse on the other side the *Oglio*, and brought back some Prisoners, and a Booty of Horses and Mules; and another Party came in likewise with several Prisoners. About 10 at night, Count *Leiningen* passed over the *Oglio* with a Detachment of Horse. The 13th, he returned to the Camp with some Prisoners, about 40 Horses, 5 or 6 Mules, and 12 Wagons laden with Wine and other Provisions which he had taken from the Enemy; and he brought an Account, that the Prince of *Vaudemont* was gone back to *Milan*; The same day 15 Deserters came over to us. The 14th, before break of day, a Party of the Enemy came with a design to surprize our advanced Guards, but upon a false Alarm given them by the Country People, they retired in such confusion, that divers mistook their way and came into our Camp, and were taken Prisoners. About 10 at night, Major-General *Vaubonne*, and the Sieur *Rouvinone* Colonel of Dragoons, went out with a Party of 400 Horse towards *Ponte Vecchio*, to meet the Regiment of Dragoons of *Vaubonne* and the Regiment of *Hussars* commanded by Colonel *Paul Direck*, lately arrived in these Parts from *Germany*, which were marching to our Camp. A Lieutenant-Colonel with a Party of 200 Horse advanced towards the Enemy's Right Wing to observe them; and several Parties of Horse and Foot were sent to make Excursions on the other side the *Oglio*. Divers Deserters came over to us, and our Parties brought in some Prisoners. The 15th, by break of day, a Major, who was sent out the day before with a Party of Horse, returned to our Camp and gave an Account, that while he was abroad, a Body of 2000 *French*, who were going to fetch in a great Convoy of Provisions, passed within 200 Paces of him, but he and his Party marched away undiscovered, and afterwards fell upon the Enemy's Foragers, killed about 50, and took 22 Prisoners. Another Party of 24 Horse killed 33 of the Enemy's Foragers, and brought away 13 Horses. An Officer came from Major-General *Vaubonne*, and gave an Account, that he was marched to *Orsinovi*, with the Regiments of *Vaubonne* and *Direck*, and the Party that went out with him. Advice came, that the Enemy had sent out a Detachment of 3 or 4000 Men towards the *Mantuan*, of which immediate Notice was sent to Major-General *Vaubonne*. In the evening, the Generals *Palfi* and *Scrini* were sent on the other side the *Oglio* with 1300 Horse and 400 Foot. Just now arrives a Cornet from General *Vaubonne* with Advice, that he met with the *French* Detachment sent to the *Mantuan*, and defeated them, and took some Standards and Kettle-Drums; 'Tis said, above 400 of the Enemy were killed upon the spot, and that they had with them a very considerable quantity of Ammunition, which the *Germans* have taken.

Libou in *Courland*, *Sept.* 17. The *Swedish* Army continue encamped within a mile of this Place, and observe a very exact Discipline, paying for every thing that is furnished them by the Country People. The Burghers of this City have been obliged to give to the *Swedish* Commissaries a particular Account of all their Effects, and to declare upon Oath what they have in their hands belonging to the *Saxons*; and the Foreign Merchants are to do the like.

Vienna, *Sept.* 19. The Emperor has resolved to send a farther Reinforcement of 14 or 15000 Men to *Italy*, and 'tis said, Orders will shortly be given for raising several new Regiments. The Sieur *Vorster* is gone to *Croatia* with a considerable Sum of Money to buy up Provisions for the Imperial Army, which are to be Shipp'd off at *Trieste*, and sent to *Italy* by the Gulph of *Venice*. The Emperor has sent Orders to Count *Straatman*, his Envoy at *Warsaw*, to use all possible Endeavours for accommodating the Differences between the Kings of *Sweden* and *Poland*. An Express was sent this Week to *Saxony*, with Orders, as 'tis said, for the *Danish* Forces lately put into the Emperor's Service to march forthwith to *Hungary*.

Francfort, *Sept.* 25. Count *Schlick* arrived here lately from *Vienna*, and intends in a day or two to go to the Court of the Elector of *Mentz*. Baron *Welser*, Chancellor to the Elector Palatine, came hither the 22d Instant from *Offenburgh*, where he has been to confer with Prince *Lewis* of *Baden*. He had a long Conference here with Count *Schlick*, and continued his Journey the next day to *Dusseldorp*. The Forces of the Circle of the *Upper Rhine* are shortly to return to their Quarters, and the Diet of the said Circle will meet in few days to consider of making new Levies.

Cologne, *Sept.* 27. The Elector Palatine came yesterday to *Bensberg*, and will go in a day or two to *Mulheim*, to review his Forces encamped near that Place; Count *Nassaw Weylburgh*, General of his Electoral Highness's Troops, is shortly expected there. Several new Works are adding to the Fortifications of this Place, which are in good forwardness. The Deputies sent by the Chapter of *Cologne* to the Diet at *Bon* are returned hither.

Hamburgh, *Sept.* 27. The *Danish* Forces which are to be sent to *Holland* will embark this week. Letters from *Copenhagen* say, the Queen-Dowager of *Denmark* arrived there the 23d Instant, having been met at *Amack* by the King, the Queen, and the rest of the Royal Family. The *Muscovite* Ambassador there intends shortly to take his Leave, having Orders to go with the same Character to the Court of *Prussia*. The King of *Denmark* has appointed Major-General *Tramp* to go in the Quality of his Ambassador to *Warsaw*, to endeavour to forward the Negociations for a Peace between the Kings of *Sweden* and *Poland*.

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